

JOINT TASK FORCE - FULL ACCOUNTING
BIOGRAPHIC/SITE REPORT AS OF 27 AUGUST 1993

===== BIOGRAPHIC INFORMATION =====

REFNO: 1082 (ACCNO 6175) Status: (A) DEAD BODY NOT RECOVERED
Name: GRIFFITH, JOHN GARY Date Status assigned: 15 Aug 1974

Nationality	AMERICAN	Race	CAUCASIAN	Blood Chit	\$
Service	NAVY	Sex	MALE	Blood type	B +
Grade	O3	Hair	BROWN	Complexion	FAIR
SSAN		Eyes	HAZEL	Weapon	#
Serial No	DATA	Height	72 in / 1.83 mtrs	Weapon No	#
Birth date		Weight	162 lb / 73.4 kg	Duty pos	BOMB/NAV
Home State	MISSOURI	Religion	PROTESTANT	PW Camp	\$

===== SITE INFORMATION =====

INCIDENT LOCATION (0)

Site Type: WATER SITE
UTM: 48QYF961162
Lat/Long: 181258N / 1074760E
Country: OVER WATER - VN
Military Region: \$
Mission Province: VN - OVERWATER
(formerly):
Mission District: VN - OVERWATER
Mission Date: 12 Mar 1968
Mission Category: 3
Local Analysis: None.

===== JTF-FA ACTIVITY SUMMARY =====

No Information Available

===== VEHICLE DATA =====

Vehicle Type: A6A	Serial: 152943
Crash Type: None	Engine Type: J52
Call Sign: RAY GUN 503	1 Serial: #
Year: \$	2 Serial: #

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Service	NAVY	Sex	MALE	Blood type	O -
Grade		Hair	BROWN	Complexion	FAIR
SSAN		Eyes	BLUE	Weapon	#
Serial No	DATA	Height	71 in / 1.80 mtrs	Weapon No	#
Birth date		Weight	200 lb / 90.6 kg	Duty pos	PILOT
Home State		Religion	CATHOLIC	PW Camp	\$

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=== CIRCUMSTANCES OF LOSS ===

24 March 1976

ON 12 MARCH 1968 — NAME — , LT JOHN G. GRIFFITH, BOMBARDIER-NAVIGATOR, WERE THE CREW OF AN A6A AIRCRAFT, (BUNO #152943, CALL SIGN RAY GUN 503), LAUNCHED FROM THE CARRIER USS ENTERPRISE FOR A NIGHT BOMBING MISSION OVER NORTH VIETNAM. ABOUT TWO MINUTES AFTER LAUNCH THERE WAS A TRANSMISSION FROM THE AIRCRAFT "EJECT...EJECTING," FOLLOWED BY, "I'M EJECTING". IMMEDIATELY THEREAFTER THERE WAS A FLASH OF LIGHT AND WHAT APPEARED TO BE A LARGE SPLASH THREE AND A HALF MILES AHEAD OF THE SHIP.

THERE WAS NO FURTHER COMMUNICATION WITH THE CREW, AND AN EXTENSIVE SEARCH WAS BEGUN, DURING WHICH WRECKAGE WAS LOCATED AND POSITIVELY IDENTIFIED AT GRID COORDINATES YF 961 162. NO SURVIVORS OR HUMAN REMAINS WERE FOUND. (REF 1)

AN OVERWATER/AT-SEA CASUALTY RESOLUTION OPERATION WAS CONDUCTED DURING THE PERIOD OF JULY THROUGH SEPTEMBER 1973 TO DETERMINE THE FEASIBILITY/DESIRABILITY OF EXPANDING SUCH OPERATIONS TO BE USED IN CASES SUCH AS THIS. BASED ON THE COMBINED FACTORS OF COST AND LACK OF ANY POSITIVE RESULTS WHATSOEVER, THE AT-SEA OPERATIONS WERE TERMINATED. THIS INDIVIDUAL'S NAME AND IDENTIFYING DATA WERE TURNED OVER TO THE FOUR-PARTY JOINT MILITARY TEAM WITH A REQUEST FOR ANY INFORMATION AVAILABLE. NO RESPONSE WAS FORTHCOMING.

ON 15 AUGUST 1974 THE ARMED SERVICES GRAVES REGISTRATION OFFICE CONCURRED WITH THE JCRC RECOMMENDATION THAT THE REMAINS OF THESE TWO OFFICERS BE DECLARED NONRECOVERABLE, AND FURTHER DIRECTED THAT THE CASE REVERT TO INACTIVE STATUS AND ALL SEARCH PLANS BE DISCONTINUED. CDR KOLUMANN AND LT GRIFFITH ARE CURRENTLY CARRIED IN THE PRESUMPTIVE STATUS OF DEAD, REMAINS NONRECOVERABLE. (REF 2)

=== REFERENCES ===

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=== ASSOCIATED INDIVIDUALS ===

24 March 1976

ASSOCIATED INDIVIDUALS: — NAME — — DATA — JOHN G. GRIFFITH 1082.

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=== ARCHIVAL RESEARCH INFORMATION ===

27 August 1993

ON 17 DEC 92, THE SRV PROVIDED A DOCUMENT TO CODEL KERRY TITLED "LIST OF JOHNSON AND NIXON AIRCRAFT SHOT DOWN IN HAI HUNG". LINE ENTRY #45 CORRELATES TO REFNO 1082 BASED ON DATE AND LOCATION OF LOSS, AIRCRAFT TYPE AND CIRCUMSTANCES OF LOSS. (REF 3)

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=== NEGOTIATION ACTIONS ===

13 December 1993

DURING THE 28 JULY 1993 POW/MIA TECHNICAL MEETING IN HANOI, A LIST OF CASES INVOLVING 168 UNACCOUNTED-FOR PERSONNEL PRESUMABLY LOST OVER WATER AT LEAST 10 KILOMETERS FROM THE COAST OF VIETNAM WAS PASSED TO THE

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VIETNAMESE GOVERNMENT. THE VIETNAMESE WERE ASKED TO UNILATERALLY REVIEW THEIR RECORDS FOR RELEVANT INFORMATION PERTAINING TO THESE CASES.

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